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This handbook provides a comprehensive overview for students, clinicians and researchers planning to enter the field of neural regeneration, combining the latest knowledge with an understanding of all important model organisms in one handy volume. By covering the strengths and weaknesses as well as possible applications of different models it saves researchers both time and resources in their choice of the appropriate model organism. An equally valuable introduction for the novice planning to enter the field.